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# The Recorder

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## MILLIONAIRE DIES

SAID TO BE THE WEALTHIEST NEGRO IN THE COUNTRY.

His Life's Work and Achievements an Inspiration to the Young.

Philadelphia, Apr. 11.—Colonel John McKee, who died Sunday night at his residence, 1030 Lombard street, as the result of a paralytic stroke, was one of the wealthiest colored men in this city if not in the country. At one time he owned more than 1,000,000 acres of land, and his estate is said to be valued between 1,500,000 and 2,000,000.

Colonel McKee was born in 1821, at Alexandria, Va., and was indentured as a brickmaker when he was in his teens. At 17 years of age he ran away to Baltimore, and for a year was employed in a confectioner's establishment. His uncle learned that the boy was in Baltimore and sent a sheriff after him there, and he was brought back to Alexandria to finish his apprenticeship in the brickyard.

At 21 years of age Col. McKee came to this city and got employment in a lively stable. Later he entered the service of James Prossor, a well known restaurateur in Market street, below Eight. He then married his employer's daughter, and Mr. Prossor retiring from business, conducted the restaurant until about 1869. Colonel McKee had been buying property from time to time and on his retirement from the restaurant entered actively in the real estate business, buying and selling for himself. His office was at his house in Lombard street, which he built in 1858 and where he resided until his death.

In this city Colonel McKee owned, at the time of his death, from 800 to 400 houses, each of them unencumbered. He was the founder and owner of McKee City, on the West Jersey Railroad, N. J., a tract of 4500 acres, divided into twenty-one farms. He also owned about 300,000 acres of coal, and oil land in Kentucky and in Logan county, West Va., a tract of twenty-one acres at Fifth street and Oregon avenue, this city; over 23,000 acres of land in Bath and Stuen counties, N. Y. a farm of sixty acres of land at Croyden, on the Delaware river, besides many other properties in Pennsylvania and other states. In the management of these and other properties he had been assisted for the last thirty years by his secretary, Raymond J. Burr.

Colonel McKee, in 1870, organized and was the colonel of the Thirteenth Regiment, N. G. P., in the Fifth Brigade, of which Gen. Louis Wagner was Brigadier-General, and continued in the command for two years. Afterwards he organized and was the colonel of the Eighth New Jersey, another colored regiment.

There are surviving a daughter, Mrs. A. A. P. Syphax, of this city, and six grandsons, Harry McKee Menton, Ernest F. and Theophilus M. McKee, of this city, John, Douglas P. and Marcellus M. McKee of Washington, D. C.

By the terms of the will, Archbishop Ryan, of the archdiocese of Philadelphia, will come into the possession, as the trustee, of an estate valued at upward of \$2,000,000. The will specified that the estate shall be used for two purposes, first, to build a Catholic church, rectory and convent in McKee City, N. J., and, second, to build and maintain a charitable institution in Philadelphia for the education of both white and colored male orphans, to be known as "McKee College." The education of the beneficiaries of the will is to conform as nearly as possible to that given at the naval academy. The executors are directed to negotiate with the Secretary of Navy for the use of a battleship or cruiser on which advanced pupils may be given their final training.

### Hampton Institute Anniversary.

Hampton, Va. Special.—The twenty-fourth anniversary of the founding of Hampton Institute will be celebrated Tuesday and Wednesday. On Tuesday afternoon there will be a Conference on Education when it is expected that addresses will be made by Dr. Felix Adler, Dr. John Graham Brooks and Rev. Paul Frothingham of Boston Dr. Albert Shaw, Dr. Hamilton W. Mabie and Dr. Walter Page of New York; Dr. Talcott Williams of Philadelphia; Dr. D. H. Bailey of Cornell University and other distinguished speakers. In the evening the folklore concert which recently created such a sensation in New York, will be repeated in the school gymnasium.

The formal anniversary exercises will be held on Wednesday afternoon when representatives of the senior class and graduates who have been out at work for several years in their respective fields of labor will give accounts of their experiences in five-minute speeches. The Richmond Educational Association has accepted an invitation to be present and His Excellency Governor Montague of Virginia, will deliver an address. A large party of Northern and Southern ladies and gentlemen interested in education,

who have been invited by R. C. Ogden of New York to attend the Southern Educational Conference to be held at Athens, Ga., April 24-27, will stop at Hampton for the anniversary exercises. In Richmond they will attend a reception given by the Richmond Educational Association and will visit later, various schools in Alabama, Tennessee and Virginia.

### Evansville District Notes.

The Recorder: I reached Jeffersonville on my third round, April 4. The pastor, J. L. Cravens had all his arrangements for a good meeting completed and on Sunday, we had a most excellent day. Sixty-three persons partook of the communion and the table collection for the day was \$8.00. Rev. Cravens has formed his church into five clubs for a grand rally. Prof. R. F. Taylor is captain of one of the clubs and I lectured for them on Wednesday night to a fine audience. Thursday night I spoke for the G. A. R. Post.

On April 13, I was in New Albany with Rev. E. C. Gregory. I found the people here complaining because The Recorder had not made its appearance for two weeks. J. H. Mitchem one of New Albany's most substantial colored citizens, says The Recorder is the best negro paper in the state. They don't want to miss a single number. Mrs. Ella Gregory is the agent. Sunday was "red letter" day for African Methodist in New Albany. At 5:30 a. m. the pastor baptized three persons in the Ohio river. At 2:30 p. m. the writer baptized 27 adults and 5 infants at the altar and then administered the sacrament to 130 converts, many of them young converts. They had a grand revival with 56 converts and 51 joined the church.

The Evansville district is making some banner records this year. Petersburg the "baby" church of the district with only 20 members. Eighteen of them women, raised nine dollars for missionary purpose Easter. If any of the small churches have beat that, let them stand up!

Last Sunday in company with Rev. Gregory and wife I dined at the home of J. H. Mitchem, who is a member of the numerous Mitchem family, whose ancestors were among the first free negroes to settle in Indiana. They were brought here from North Carolina and set free in 1814. Bro. Mitchem is a staunch African Methodist. He has the free papers of his father still in his possession.

More Anon,  
CHAS. HUNTER, P. E.

### Woman's Club Report.

The annual report of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Woman's Club is as follows, expenses: provisions for the poor, \$51.90; ice-cream, 5.60; car tickets, 4.25; travelling expenses, 4.20; postal cards, 1.15; flowers, 3.00; N. A. C. W., 3.00; Alpha Home, 10.50; to orphans, 2.25; printing, 3.15; miscellaneous expenses, 24.75; total, 117.60. Receipts: from dues, \$55.33; from socials, 119.20; from penny bags, 29.94; total, 199.00; balance in treasury for the year 81.40; in bank, 42.16; balance on hand, \$123.56. Florence Bennett, secretary. Ada Goins, treasurer.

### A Prominent Citizen.

JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind. Special. Prof. R. F. Taylor, principal of the Jeffersonville colored schools, who had a prominent place on the program at the Southern Indiana Teachers' Association, which held its annual session at Bloomington, April 3, 4, and 5, received an honor never before accorded a colored man from this city.

He is a prominent Mason, and has served several years as secretary of the Grand Lodge of Indiana. Prof. Taylor is a highly-educated man, a writer of more than ordinary merit and a close student. His mother was a slave and he was born in Oldham county, Kentucky, thirty-nine years ago, coming to this city when a boy.

At the annual commencement of the Jeffersonville high school, in 1882, when he was graduated high in his class, there being no colored high schools in the city at that time. That year he was made a teacher, and in 1886 was elected principal, retaining the position ever since. At present he has about 300 pupils under him. Ambitious to learn, he attended summer sessions of the State University for two years, went to the Normal school at Richmond and the Southern Indiana Normal University, at Princeton, and received a diploma there in 1889. He continued to apply himself and in 1889 got a life state certificate to teach in public schools of Indiana, his examination standing being far beyond the general average. Prof. Taylor is married, has an interesting family, and owns a pretty home.

### Hold Good Jobs.

There are 25 colored employees in the Mobile Post Office and their salaries average \$802.00 each per year. There are also two special delivery boys whose fees amount to about \$500.00.

## POLITICAL RECOGNITION IN INDIANA.



## Woman's Work and World.

The senior and junior years of Rush Medical College, at Chicago, will be open to women students on and after June 1. This will mean co-education in all classes of Rush. It is expected that fifty women will take advantage of this change.

Miss Ellen M. Stone, the missionary has arrived in New York. She is now lecturing.

Miss Victoria Overall, dramatic reader, impersonator, dancist, dancer, and actress of wonderful versatility, at Kansas City, Mo., is a rising star in the galaxy of America's noblest type of negro womanhood.

If the woman who occupies the home throne, is a literary recluse or a social butterfly the man, on the one hand, smiles at her fantastic imaginings and abstracts, and on the other hand is deaf to her silly nothings. Woman's influence is not in her advice, but in her standards of life and thinking. Young woman, have high standards if you wish to win and do good. The young man won on a low standard is not worth winning. There are certain qualities and certain sections in this world, where woman's carelessness has brought down the standards. There are certain sets in high society in which this is true. The most depends on what you are. There is no art, no artifice, no skill that can conceal always the reality.—Dr. C. E. Bacon, Indianapolis.

The women who use cosmetics should reflect that in every branch of art, the highest perfection is reached when art conceals art. A successfully made-up woman does not look in the least artificial. The instant it is apparent that she is rouged or has blackened her eyes, she proclaims herself either a novice or a vulgarian.

To the woman who would be individual, who wants to be an inspiration and a benefice, there is but one message: Be not afraid of yourself; get acquainted with the depths of your own nature; face the shortcomings of your own spirit.

### Race Gleanings.

Roscoe Conkling Bruce will after graduating from Harvard become an instructor at Tuskegee Institute.

The total deposits of the Tuskegee Institute Bank, in which the students and teachers deposit their savings, aggregated \$8,000.

The state of New Jersey will purchase Ironsides, the old house of Commodore Stewart near Bordentown, for the use of the colored youth as a desirable industrial school, under control of the state board of education. A bill appropriating \$35,000 has passed both houses of the legislature and simply awaits the signature of the governor.

The colored people of Wagner, I. T. have incorporated an oil, gas and mineral company with a capital of \$100,000.

Thomas V. McAllister of Vicksburg, Miss. has been appointed collector of customs for the district of Mississippi.

E. A. Johnson, the well-known writer of school books and other negro literature has been appointed U. S. District Attorney in North Carolina.

### That Alpha Home Benefit.

Mr. Editor:—It appears to me that someone, the Board of Directors of Alpha Home especially, owes an explanation of the recent peculiar manner of conducting the "Benefit" at Tomlinson Hall.

It was publicly announced, through the papers and from the pulpit, that this concert was for the benefit of the Alpha Home. Many persons sold tickets, and many purchased them, under the impression that the public announcements were true. The City furnished the hall under a similar impression, ladies and gentlemen furnished numbers upon the program, and the choirs of Bethel, Allen and Simpson Chapels gave their services willingly and freely, each one being assured that every cent, outside of legitimate expenses, was to be given the Home. But what was done?

In the first place the church choirs, and church members were deceived in taking part in a public ball, after repeated statements to the contrary, and the published reports of the finances show that Mr. Billy Mc Lain received about half the proceeds, and this in the face of his own statements that he was donating his services. Did the Board know that he was making such representation, and at the same time they had an arrangement with him to pay him 60 per cent of the receipts? If they did not know it, why did they not inform the public?

Again, there was promised the successful choir in contest, as an inducement to have them, and their admirers, attend, a set of choir books, and this has not been done. The books were called for, but Wulschner informed Prof. Collins that no books had been paid for, hence they could not deliver them. Will some one please rise and explain? The public and the city are ready to aid the Alpha Home, but do not wish to be bamboozled in such a way, and it might be well for the Board to recall the story of the boy who cried, "The Wolf! the wolf!" and laughed when the people responded to his cry, only to find that there was no wolf. One day a wolf came, and again he called, but the people did not respond.

EDWARD L. GILLIAM.

April 16, 1902.

### Return Thanks

The Board of Managers of the Alpha Home Association beg leave to return thanks to the public for their generosity during their recent rummage sale, also to the members and friends who assisted. The sale was discontinued last Monday, Susie Williams president, Amanda Breckenridge chairman trustee board, Ella Williams secretary.

## A Class in Physical Culture.



The Flanner Guild Delarte class of this city was organized by Miss Dayse D. Walker, who is connected with the Flanner Guild, a few months ago. Its object is to assist the guild by giving entertainments and also development in physical culture and literary tastes of its members. Special attention is given to Grecian poses. The following persons compose the group, "The Fate of Virginia" here shown: Mrs. Jennie Cooper, Miss Allie

## TIMELY ANNIVERSARIES.

Some Current Selections From History's Broad Page.

April 20.  
1718—David Brainerd, famous missionary to the Indians, born at Haddam, Conn.; died 1747.  
1736—Prince Eugene of Savoy, famous commander, died; born 1665. Eugene was one of the greatest generals of modern times. He fought under an alien flag over 30 years, that of Austria. Louis XIV., who had repulsed his early ambition and caused him to enter the Austrian service, offered him a marshal's baton in vain.  
1806—Charles Louis Napoleon Bonaparte, known in history as Napoleon III., of France, born in Paris; died at Chislehurst Jan. 9, 1873.  
1886—Senor Bernabe, Spanish minister to the United States, took his passports and left Washington for Canada.  
1899—M. Edouard Jules Henri Palleron, French poet and dramatist, died in Paris; born 1834.

April 21.  
323—Alexander the Great died.  
1142—Pierre Abelard, famous French scholar and reformer, died; born 1079. The fame of Abelard has descended to posterity chiefly through his connection with Heloise. The story of these two, which reads like a romance, is literally true. The remains of the lovers rest side by side in the same mausoleum in the cemetery of Pere le Chaise, Paris.  
1816—Charlotte Bronte, author of "Jane Eyre," born; died 1855.  
1836—Battle of San Jacinto; defeat and frightful slaughter by Texans under Sam Houston; Santa Anna captured and Texan independence secured.  
1873—General John Adams Dix died in New York city; born 1781.  
1888—Minister Stewart L. Woodford given his passports at Madrid. Sampson's squadron blockaded Cuba. First marine capture of the war, the Spanish ship Buena Ventura, in the gulf of Mexico. Date officially fixed as the beginning of the war.  
1900—Rev. Thomas K. Beecher, brother of Henry Ward Beecher, died at Haverhill, Mass.; born 1815.

April 22.  
1707—Henry Fielding, dramatist and novelist, born; died 1754.  
1724—Immanuel Kant, German philosopher, born; died 1804.  
1746—Lindley Murray, noted grammarian, born in Swanton, Pa.; died 1826.  
1791—James Buchanan, fifteenth president of the United States, born; died 1868.  
1815—Andrew Gregg, Curtin, famous war governor of Pennsylvania, born in Centre county, Pa.; died 1894.  
1881—Marie Taglioni, opera dancer, died at Marseilles; born in Stockholm 1804.  
1888—Admiral Charles Stewart Boggs, U. S. N., died in New Brunswick, N. J.; born 1811.  
1897—William Steele Holman, noted Indiana congressman, died in Washington; born 1822.  
1899—The Right Hon. Sir John Mowbray, "Father of the House of Commons," died in London; born 1815.

April 23.  
1014—Battle of Clontarf; Brian Boru, king of Munster, totally routed the Danes, but was killed.  
1564—Supposed birth date of William Shakespeare at Stratford-upon-Avon; he died on this date in 1616.  
1625—Maurice of Nassau, prince of Orange, died; born 1567.  
1697—George Lord Anson, famous British navigator, born; died 1762.  
1813—Stephen Arnold Douglas, statesman, born in Brandon, Vt.; died 1861.  
1829—William Walsworth, poet, died at Rydal Mount, Westmorland, England; born 1776.  
1852—General Solomon Van Rensselaer died; born 1774.  
1872—Alexander Robinson, chief of the Potawatomi Indians, died; born 1772.  
1901—General von Ketteler, commanding a German brigade, defeated the Chinese at the great wall, on the Shanxi border; the last severe fighting of the Boxer war.

April 24.  
753 B. C.—Date usually taken for the foundation of Rome; it was captured in 481 B. C. by V. G. Julius, in 455 by the Vandals, and in 476 the last vestige of the empire was destroyed.  
1547—Victory of Charles V. over the Protestants at Muhlberg, and end of the war of the Smalld League.  
1721—Daniel Foe or De Foe, author of "Robinson Crusoe" and other works, died; born 1661.  
1765—Edmund Cartwright, inventor of the power loom, born; died 1823.  
1764—Thomas Addis Emmet, Irish patriot, born in Cork; died 1827.  
1891—Farrut passed the forts at the mouth of the Mississippi in his attack on New Orleans.  
1891—Field Marshal von Moltke died suddenly at Berlin; born 1800.  
1898—President McKinley called for 125,000 volunteers to carry out the instructions of congress and interfere in Cuba.

April 25.  
1284—Birth of Edward II. of England; murdered 1327.  
1526—Torquato Tasso, Italian poet, died; born 1544.  
1726—Rev. Samuel Wesley, father of the famous Wesleys, died; birth date unknown.  
1781—Battle of Hobkirk's Hill, or second battle of Camden; General Greene defeated by Lord Rawdon.  
1800—William Cowper, poet, died; born 1731.  
1877—President Hayes withdrew the Federal troops from Louisiana, the end of the Federal interference in the south.  
1891—Grand Duke Nicholas, uncle of the czar, died in St. Petersburg.  
1898—Declaration by the United States that war with Spain began on April 21.  
1899—General Richard J. Oglesby, ex-governor of Illinois, died at Springfield; born 1824.

April 26.  
1521—Ferdinand Magellan, Portuguese navigator, killed; born 1480.  
1711—David Hume, philosopher and historian, born in Edinburgh; died there 1776.  
1787—Johann Ludwig Uhland, German poet, born in Tübingen; died there 1862.  
1834—Charles Farrar Chas. F. Browne, (Artemus Ward) born at Waterford, Me.; died 1887.  
1894—Nathaniel Springer Berry, war governor of New Hampshire, died at Bristol; born 1796.  
1898—Spanish steamer Panama captured off Havana by the United States light-house tender Mangrove; first hostile act of the war. England proclaimed neutrality.  
1900—Wepener relieved by a British force from the north, the Boers under De Wet retreating southward.

## COLORED PRESS

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS ON THE LEADING TOPICS.

Opinions of Worth by the Moulders of Race Sentiment and Progress

If nobody gave to education but those who have children, the race would be doomed to ignorance for the next thousand years.—Baptist Vanguard.

"White Supremacy" is a very peculiar thing. With all the wealth, with all the intelligence, with an overwhelming majority, "white supremacy" is afraid of the Negro. Goliath afraid of David! But—"His mischief shall return upon his own head, and his violent dealing shall come down upon his own pate."—St. Luke Herald.

A man who will sell his vote can not be trusted, not even by the fellow that pays the money.—The Radical.

The average white man will say, "If all your people were like Booker T. Washinton," then we feel like saying, if all your people were like Gladstone, what a race of statesmen, what if all like Carnegie what philanthropists, if all like Lilliman—what a race of— "Oh, Lord help us."—Mobile Weekly Press.

Discussing the race problem in the barber shop, on the street corner, and at the literary and debating society will not add anything to its solution unless the ideas advanced are given a practical test in the ordinary every day affairs of life. Work and not eloquent speeches are wanted now.—The Lancet.

Put your stumbling block where it belongs and it will become a stepping stone.—Afro-American Ledger.

MILLIONAIRES are so plentiful these days that unless his worth mounts up into several millions he is scarcely deemed worthy of mention among the men of wealth. With the Negro millionaire, however, the case is quite different for several reasons, and the death of Colonel McKee, the colored Philadelphia millionaire, who died this week, justifies comment within and beyond race circles, considered he was born a slave and made his money with his own muscle and brain.—Christian Recorder.

It would be profitable for us to learn the lesson of the combination of capital. What one dollar can't do, make two or five do it. Our people need business standing in the community, which can not be gotten unless they go into business. In those communities where persons have established business interests and stuck to them, they are being richly rewarded. Many can number their dollars by the thousands, who had only a few hundred dollars with which to begin. What they have done, why can not others follow in their wake and do the same?—The Blue Grass Bugle.

### A Negro of Talent.

NEW YORK, April 11.—The proudest passenger to walk down the gangplank of the Deutschland when she made her dock was Herbert Cummings, a young mulatto, who was sent over on the same steamer by a local resort to decorate the cabin of Prince Henry on his return voyage from this country.

The lad was detailed to attend to the floral decorations on board Emperor William's yacht Hohenzollern while she was in port, and the prince liked him so well that he asked that he be sent to Bremen when he sailed on the Deutschland.

At the end of the voyage Prince Henry presented him with a handsome gold watch and chain and gave him an autograph letter of recommendation.

### Gift to Colored School.

TUSKEGEE, Ala., April 13.—A prominent and wealthy Southern man, a native of South Carolina, engaged in business in Birmingham, has made a contribution of \$500 to the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute. This is the largest donation ever received by this institution from a Southern white man.

### Alpha Home Report.

The Official Report of the Alpha Home Benefit given at Tomlinson Hall April 9, is as follows: Number of tickets sold at 50 cents 129; at 25 cents 248; Door receipts: Number of tickets sold at 50 cents 76; at 25 cents 313; Cash receipts from tickets sold on outside, \$126.50; Cash door receipts, \$116.35; Total, \$242.85. Expenses: Empire bill printing Co., \$11.50; Freeman (500 cards) Mar. 22, 2.50; Indianapolis Journal Apr. 5, 5.00; Indianapolis Sentinel Apr. 5, 5.00; Mar. 3, 3.50; Hall decoration, 5.00; Star Piano Co., 4.00; S. Ratliff, 2.00; Orchestra, 28.00; total 66.50. 60 per cent of the gross proceeds was given Mr. Mc Lain out of which the chairman, Mr. McClain saw that all expenses were paid; cash paid Mr. McClain, \$79.81; cash clear of all expenses for the Alpha Home, \$96.54. Persons who have not reported will please report tickets or money to the president or secretaries. Mrs. Susie Williams, president; Mrs. Roxie Bell, Fin. secretary; Mrs. Hulda Webb, treasurer; Mrs. A. Breckenridge, chairman of Trustee Board; Mrs. Ella Williams, recording secretary.



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The frequent reports of white women being molested by Negroes is alarming and needs a thorough investigation. Almost daily complaint is made that some negro has attempted an assault upon some white woman. This conduct in this city is an exception rather than the rule and the good Negroes of this community, who are in the majority stand ready to lead any assistance in their power to help the authorities in apprehending the guilty culprits.

"The Leopard's Spots" a book of daring audacity and of sweeping exaggeration has just been published from the pen of Thomas Dixon, a typical Southerner. It is an exposition of the Race Problem from a southern white man's view and is all the more remarkable from the fact that the author poses as a parson of no mean ability. His exaggerations are so many and his efforts to create a sentiment against the Negro are so vivid that without a doubt his work will never be taken in a serious vein. An Exchange says:

"He is the impassioned special advocate of the South on the burning question of the southern attitude of hostility to the negro in politics. His key-note, repeated again and again is 'You cannot build in a democracy a nation inside a nation of two antagonistic races. The future American must be an Anglo-Saxon or a mulatto.' There are but few readers who will agree with Mr. Dixon in any such exaggerated statements of altercations and throughout the book he weakens his position more than once by overstatement—yet there is no one who will not grant that the race question is the greatest with which the United States has to deal. Mr. Dixon evidently believes that the only solution, for the welfare of the white race, is the total expulsion of the negro from the country. Education, he thinks, only makes the problem more difficult. Industrial training gives power. If the negro ever becomes a serious competitor of the white laborer in the industries of the South, the white man will kill him, just as your labor unions do in the North now, where the conditions of life are hard, and men fight with tooth and nail for bread. If you train the Negroes to be scientific farmers they will become a race of aristocrats, and when five generations removed from the memory of slavery a war of races will be inevitable, unless the Anglo-Saxon grant this trained and this wealthy African equal social rights. The Anglo-Saxon can not do this without suicide. One drop of negro blood makes a negro. Nor does he represent the negro's condition in the North as more satisfactory, when he tells of the struggles of 'George Harris,' the educated negro. He said that in the North 'they all believe that the negro's place is in the South.'

The only thing that 'Parson' Dixon describes accurately, is a knowledge of lynching and the causes that lead up to it. The object of the book seems to allure the readers who have not formed an opinion of southern conditions. We trust the 'Parson' Dixon is not a true type of the southern christian clergymen, and that they have preachers who can discuss issues impartially and without personality entering into the case.

The church has been an important factor in matters affecting the welfare and progress of the race. Even to this late day all reforms improvements rest to a large degree upon the hearty co-operation of the churches.

Colored people cannot afford to commend or express satisfaction over the deauly aim of the Winchester rifle in the hands of a law-breaker such as Will Reynolds of Alabama was, neither can white people afford to encourage lynching and burning of Negroes as has been done in the past. Obedience to law is the safety valve of our government.

Notice—Several communications were received this week but as the writers did not sign their names, we cannot publish them. While the columns of The Recorder are open at all times for the publication of matters affecting the welfare or advancement of the race, we insist that all articles be signed by the writer whose name will not be published if such request is made.

## Anniversary Reception.

Western Star Temple, No. 11, S. M. T. held their 21st anniversary reception at their hall last Wednesday evening which was attended by nearly 500 members and friends. The room was tastefully and artistically decorated and reflected great credit on the committee having it in charge. The committee on decorations were: Bessie Gates, chairman, Nannie Woodford, Henry Jackson, Florence Robinson, R. Burbridge, Katie Admire, Julia Blackburn and Mima Alph. This temple was organized, April 9, 1881, by Mrs. Patsy Magruder. The following was the program: Remarks Mrs. Patsy Magruder, Mrs. Anna Hughes; Address of Welcome, Mrs. Cora Jackson, Worthy Princess; History of the Temple, Mrs. Sadie Dudley; Remarks, Mrs. Ella Faison, Princess of St. Luke Temple; Superba Quartette, composed of talented young ladies; Solo, B. Allen Morris; Solo, Mrs. Ada Passmore; Solo, Miss Carpenter. The plan of reception was designed by Mrs. Cora Jackson, one of the charter members, who is now serving her fourth term as Worthy Princess. Mrs. Mattie Green, was chairman of the general committee on arrangements. W. H. Jackson was master of ceremonies and reflected great credit on himself for his adeptness in managing the affair. Quite an elaborate lunch was served, including ice cream, containing the colors of the order. Jones' Brothers' string orchestra furnished the music. This organization was founded by Moses Dickson, who recently died.

## Hello! Exchange Hello!

Long distance, please! Long distance, well, have you received a message to the effect that a grand entertainment will be given by Pride of the North Tabernacle, No. 94, at Capitol Hall, Cor. South Capitol avenue and Merrill street, Wednesday eve, May 28?

Yes. Among the many grand things to be seen on that night will be the world renowned feminine Dorchies of Old Palestine. This is the greatest event that ever will happen in Indianapolis. Don't miss it. Refreshments of all kinds will be served. Committee Dts. E. Smith, C. Jackson, Emma L. Person, H. P. Admission 15c.

## Mrs. H. H. Knight.

Has moved to 418 Indiana avenue. A fine display of fashionable millinery.

Don't forget the grand event of the season the concert to be given by the choir of the Second Baptist Church Friday evening April 25. The leading feature will be the celebrated Clarence C. White of Washington D C violin soloist. He has been spoken of in the highest terms by some of the leading papers of the country.

The greatest aggregation of Afro-American singers, dancers and comedians in the world. The Black Patti Troubadours, will be the attraction at the Park, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Messrs. Vobickel and Nolan, who are directing the tour of the company, are managers who are well known and highly respected in the theatrical profession. They have been for years associated with various high class attractions, some of which are known as the biggest enterprises on record, and they have been invariably successful in their undertakings.

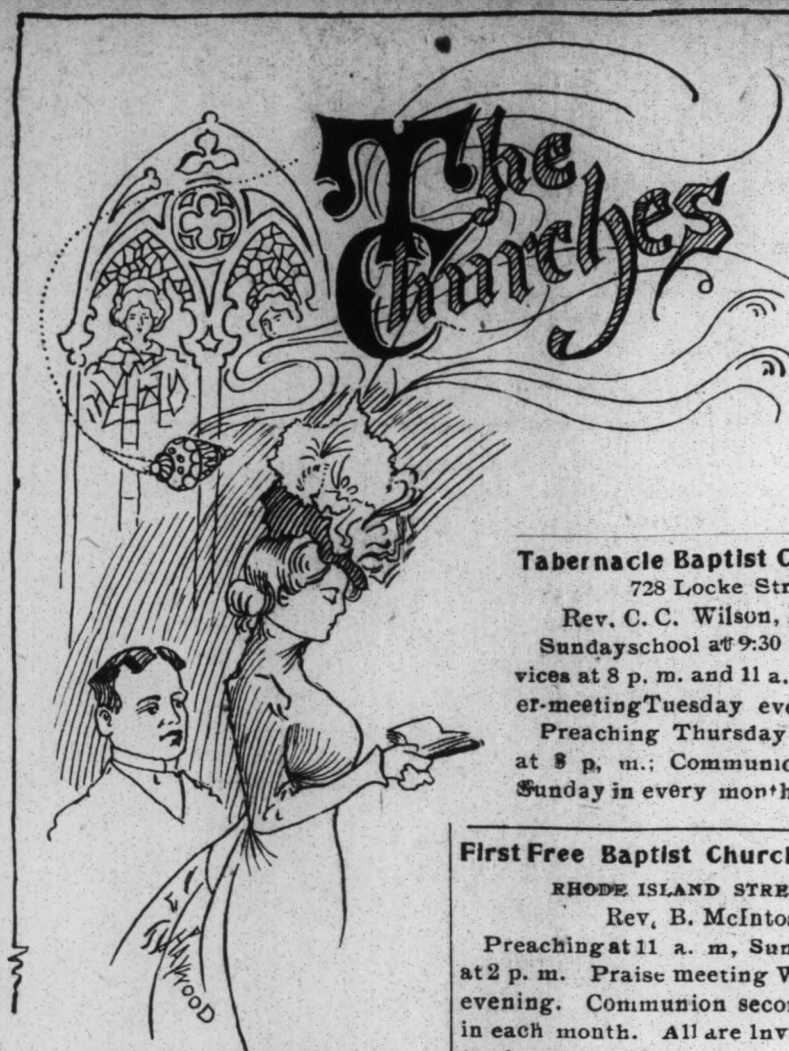
The Cincinnati Rostrum says "Mr. Clarence C. White, the violinist executes with marvellous precision, his toning pure, sweet and sustained." The Ellyric Daily News says: "His tone is full and his facility of execution is wonderful."

Mr. White will be accompanied by one of the best pianists of the city and assisted by some of the best local talent. The program will consist of solos, duets, readings and choruses. The following persons will assist Mr. White in his recital. Messrs G. W. Cable, Prof. W. T. Williams, M. C. Oliver and E. C. Roberts, Mesdames Mrs. Lucretia Knox, Mrs. L. B. Sead Mrs. Florence Finley and the Second Baptist Church choir.

## Knights of Pythias.

Grand Chancellor W. H. Porter, accompanied by a number of Knights of Pythias will go to Connersville, Sunday in the interest of a new lodge. On April 27, the delegation will visit Terre Haute. All members are cordially invited to accompany the party.

E. B. Hampton, state organizer for the American Mutual Aid Association of St. Louis, left Monday night for that place. He leaves on a three months trip and will visit Paducah, Bowling Green, Lexington Franklin and other points in Kentucky before returning to the city.



## Tabernacle Baptist Church

728 Locke Street,  
Rev. C. C. Smith, Pastor.  
Sundayschool at 9:30 a. m., Services at 8 p. m. and 11 a. m.; Prayer-meeting Tuesday evening; Preaching Thursday evenings at 8 p. m.; Communion second Sunday in every month.

## First Free Baptist Church.

RHODE ISLAND STREET.  
Rev. B. McIntosh, pastor.  
Preaching at 11 a. m., Sundayschool at 2 p. m. Praise meeting Wednesday evening. Communion second Sunday in each month. All are invited to attend.

## NEW BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Mariondale Ave. Rev. M. A. Seymour or  
Sundayschool at 9:30; preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m.; W. H. and F. M. society meets every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, Prayer meeting every Thursday night.

Services last Sunday were well attended. Elder Patton preached to a large congregation at 3 p. m. Tomorrow, services will be conducted by the Pastor.

The Gleasons Band Concert on the 23rd promises to be the best of the season.

The Children's Missionary Society will give a concert on the 30th.

## BETHEL A. M. E. CHURCH

(Corner Vermont and Toledo Sts.)  
Rev. R. R. Downs, Pastor.  
Services at 10:30 a. m. and 8 p. m. Classes at 12:30; Sunday school 2:30 p. m.; John Carter, Sup't.

Many tears were shed last Sunday morning from the ministrative pleadings of Bishop Grant. Several persons joined the church.

The Young Men's Christian Association had quite an enthusiastic meeting last Sunday afternoon. The address of Bishop Grant was strong, practical and useful; just the kind of talk that our people are needing all over the country: too much bombastic, illogical eloquence has been indulged in from platform and pulpit and the Negroes suffers in consequence.

Bethel church is a great institution and has a strong membership, but they need to manifest more church pride and loyalty.

The Un-numbered Ex-pastors Rally Day will come off the third Sunday in May and the admirers of Revs. Clay, Henderson, Graham and Newton, will respectively evidence their strength and usefulness.

There are some members (?) who can't work in entertainments, solicit money in the church, join a club, talk in class, or do anything but talk, they are sure to stay at home on Rally days.

The Spring Carnival, Wednesday night, April 30th, will cap the climax in the way of entertainments. Seats will be in demand long before it comes off. Tickets are ten and twenty cents. Be sure and get one.

The East End Club has not only a wide-awake membership, weekly increasing but they will be hard to equal in final results; they have taken for the May Rally the name of T. W. Henderson.

The West End Club have raised their standard with the name of C. W. Newton inscribed; they are not as large in numbers as the East End, but will make it quite interesting for them in the contest, for they are hard workers.

It is said that the Y. P. A.'s are sailing under the name of the Graham Club, at any rate, we know that the Grahamites are not few and the same may be said of those of the Clay Club.

Among the class leaders, this week, John Sanders boldly leads with the sum of \$2.65; B. F. Lowe, \$1.40; C. W. Grant, \$1.25; H. C. Miliken, \$1.10; W. Parks, 70c; A. S. Beard, 65c; Harry Jones, 60c; C. B. Rape, 60c; Dr. Elbert, 55c; Wm. Bell, 50c; Elmer Donnell, 50c; J. T. Thomas, 35c; John Carter, 30c and B. F. Wade, 20c. Since the illness of Dr. Elbert we have had no one to lead his large and financial class.

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Rev. W. H. Chambers, Pastor.  
Preaching at 11 a. m.; Sundayschool 2 p. m. Weekly meetings:

Antioch Baptist Church  
Thirteenth street.  
Rev. J. M. Morton, Pastor.

Sunday School, 9:30. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. B. Y. P. U. 6 p. m. Prayer-meeting, Tuesday evening Preaching, Thursday evenings. Let everybody attend these services.

## SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH.

(Ir West Michigan St.)

Sunday services: Prayer-meeting 5 a. m.; Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Communion, the first Sunday in each month at 2:30 p. m.; Prayer-meeting every Tuesday evening. Visitors are always welcome.

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Rev. T. W. Lott, pastor.

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Residence 1512 Ottawa ave; Old Phone Green 232, 2 rings.  
Services 9:30 a. m. Sundayschool 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. preaching 1 p. m. Ladies meeting.

Tomorrow is class leaders' and Stewards' Rally Day. The Club's are to report in the following order. No. 1, Jap Rose Club; Brigadier-General S. P. Thompson; captains: Jane Merritt and Mary Kinslow. No. 2, Red, White and Blue Club, B. G., Quash Merritt. Captains, Threya Valentine and Fannie Lacy. No. 3, St. Paul Club, B. G., Enoch Sattlefield. Captains: Violet Thompson and Harriet Gordon. No. 4, Church Aid Club, B. G., G. A. Ratliffe, Captains, Jane Shelton and Green Baldon.

A full report of the results will be published in the next issue of this paper. Breaching at 10:45 a. m., Bro. Joseph Taylor. 3 p. m., Rev. E. McIntyre. 7:45 p. m., Rev. George Griffen. The Booker T. Washington Literary are holding very interesting sessions with large attendance each Friday evening.

## SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

(Corner West and Walnut Sts.)

Rev. J. C. Patton Pastor

Sundayschool at 9:30; Preaching at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; B. Y. P. U. 7 p. m.; Prayer-meeting Wednesday evening; Communion every third Sunday.

Services were well attended last Sunday. The Pastor preached two special sermons.

Rev. Dickerson preached a splendid sermon last Sunday morning, Subject "Tempt not no man."

Rev. J. C. Patton preached the Sunday morning service at South Calvary Baptist Church last Sunday, Subject "Baptism as a symbol" Romans 6:4.

Baptism at one o'clock he had a large congregation at morning service and also at baptizing.

Rev. J. C. Patton preached the communion sermon at New Bethel Baptist church last Sunday afternoon.

The pastor preached a good sermon last Sunday night.

Rev. N. A. Seymour will preach the communion sermon Sunday afternoon at all sister churches and their pastors are invited.

The church will be divided into divisions to work, and make our June rally a great success.

The B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Rev. J. C. Patton preached at Edinburg last Monday night, and at Crawfordville last Thursday night in interest of the Baptist University.

Dr. D. A. Gaddie D. D. of Louisville Ky., pastor of Green street Baptist Church will preach for us Sunday night and will assist in the communion service in the afternoon.

## SIMPSON CHAPEL A. M. E. CHURCH

Cor. Eleventh and North Missouri Sts.

Rev. E. L. Gilliam Pastor

With the new year the members of Simpson have determined to begin work, and plans are on foot looking to the advancement of the work along all lines.

The Sundayschool Board at its annual meeting, elected the following officers and teachers: Sup't. Amos Bybee; Asst. Sup't. A. N. Hewitt; Librarians, A. T. Taylor and John Gressell; Sec. Miss Sarah Boyer; Asst. Sec. R. D. Gilliam; Teachers, Mrs. M. S. Johnson, Mrs. Ada Stevenson, Miss Hattie Courtney, Mrs. Barbara Lomas, Mrs. Carrie Ross and Wm. Cook. Miss Mittie Boulden, treas. With this force it is confidently expected to largely increase the attendance. Rev. Gilliam, also has a class, and invites the older members to join.

The Musicals given under the auspices of the Indianapolis Choral Society, on Wednesday evening was a grand success, and first class in every particular.

The Epworth League will hold meetings each Sunday evening at 7 p. m., and on the first Sunday of each month.

Great preparations are being made by the Church Aid Circle for the Gypsy Campion April 30. It will be out of the ordinary, and a rare treat to all who may attend. They were entertained by Mrs. Della Griffin, Wednesday, and Mrs. Mattie entertained the sewing Circle on Thursday.

Rev. Gilliam has taken charge of Barnes Chapel, North Indianapolis, in addition to Simpson, and will have special services tomorrow at 3 p. m. Simpson's choir, and many others will attend. It will be so arranged to have services every Sunday, at 11 a. m., and 8 p. m., and the Pastor intends to build up this mission. The friends are invited to aid in this work. Our sick continues large.

The war of the Roses is beginning to assume interesting proportions, and Generals Register and Boyer, together with their officers, are preparing to raise the \$600 asked for by the Pastor, on the second Sunday in June. One addition, Mrs. Vandra Whalen. Read The Recorder.

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## THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON III, SECOND QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, APRIL 20.

Text of the Lesson, Acts 8:34-48.  
Memory Verses, 42-44—Golden Text,  
Acts 8:24—Commentary Prepared  
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34, 35. Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons.

As in Gen. i and ii and Rev. xxi and xxii so throughout this whole Bible the story is that of God working out His eternal purpose (Eph. iii, 11) notwithstanding the opposition of the devil and of sinful men controlled by the devil. The special story of the Acts is that of the beginning of the gathering out from the gentiles a people for His name (xv, 14), and this work began in the home of Cornelius under Peter, as recorded for our lesson. Although the Lord had commanded before His ascension that the gospel be preached to every creature and unto the uttermost part of the earth (Mark xvi, 15; Acts i, 8), the preaching had up to this time been to the Jews only (xi, 19), and Peter had to receive a special vision to teach him that God was no respecter of persons.

36-38. Preaching peace by Jesus Christ.

These glad tidings were for Israel first (Luke xxiv, 47; Acts i, 8), but in order that Israel might reach out to the gentiles, which they were slow to do. God made the sinless one to be sin for us that we might in Him be made righteous before God (II Cor. v, 21), and apart from Him there is no righteousness, no salvation, however devout or prayerful a man may be. Even Nicodemus had to be born from above in order to enter the kingdom of God, and Peter had to bring to Cornelius the message by which he and his house might be saved (xi, 14), for there is no salvation apart from the reception of Christ and faith in His atoning blood (Acts iv, 12; Lev. xvii, 11).

39. We are witnesses.

A witness does not need to get up his little speech or make up anything. He simply tells truthfully what he knows, and the redeemed of the Lord are continually on the witness stand proclaiming something concerning Jesus Christ. If all the redeemed were true witnesses, what a glorious testimony would be ever going forth concerning Him who is altogether lovely!

40-42. He commanded us to preach unto the people and to testify that it is He which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead.

In all their preaching these witnesses fail not to declare that although the Jews killed Jesus God raised Him from the dead and showed Him openly to chosen witnesses, and now Peter declares, as Paul afterward does (xvii, 31), that He is the God appointed Judge of all mankind.

43. To Him give all the prophets witness.

On the way to Emmaus as He talked with those two that resurrection day He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself and taught that all things concerning Him in the law, the prophets and the psalms must be fulfilled (Luke xxiv, 27, 44). The Spirit of Christ was in the prophets, and the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy (I Pet. i, 10, 11; Rev. xix, 10), and the uniform testimony of all in whom the Spirit speaks is that the first great essential is the forgiveness of sins, and this can be had only in Christ by His precious blood.

44. While Peter yet spake these words the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.

The message was not Peter's message, but the Lord's own message through Peter, and Cornelius so recognized it, for he had said to Peter, "We are all here present before God to hear all things that are commanded thee of God" (verse 33). As the word was spoken the Spirit wrought, their opened hearts received Him of whom Peter in the power of the Spirit spoke, and the Spirit Himself came in power upon them at the same time.

45, 46. They heard them speak with tongues and magnify God.

It was as at Pentecost (chapter ii, 4), except that there was no waiting, for the Spirit having come as our Lord promised there is no longer any need to wait, but where the heart is open and the Lord truly received there may be also the filling of the Spirit. While there is no need to wait any definite time to be filled with the Spirit, there may be a need to wait because of the unreadiness of the believer to receive. There came with Peter six Jewish brethren from Joppa (Acts xi, 12), who, although believers, were astonished when they saw the Holy Spirit given to these gentiles. It is to this day difficult for some believers to think that any people can be blessed outside of their so-called churches, but they need to learn that God is no more a respecter of denominations than of persons.

47, 48. He commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord.

Here is something helpful for those who make baptism with water essential to the new birth, for behold in this company in Cornelius' house some saved and Spirit filled people who have not yet been baptized with water and are thus baptized after they have been saved and have received the gift of the Holy Ghost. On the other hand, we have in Acts xix, 1-6, some disciples who, having been baptized, had not heard anything about the Holy Spirit, so they were baptized again and at the hands of Paul received the gift of the Holy Ghost and spoke with tongues and prophesied. I mention this to show that we must make essential to salvation only that which God makes essential—viz, receiving Christ (John i, 12; I John v, 11, 12).

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## MADISON.

The Sunday School Union met at Second Baptist Church Sunday and rendered an interesting programme. A social will be given at the M. E. Church to night.

Henry Jenkins departed this life April 11 at the age of 80 years. He has been a faithful worker in the church for many years, he leaves a son and three grand-children to mourn his loss. The remains was taken to Carlton, Ky., for burial.

A social was given at the home of Mrs. Wrights, for the benefit of the pastor, Rev. Toomy. James Davis has gone to Pittsburg, to spend a few days. Sunday is quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. Church, we hope to have success. Elder Hunter was present Friday night. Rev. Edwards has moved to 743 N. Jefferson street. M. A. Thornton left Tuesday for Cincinnati. Willie Hoskins has gone to Indianapolis. Mrs. T. Taylor entertained Rev. Edwards and family at dinner, Sunday.

## KNIGHTSTOWN.

Joseph Bailey, wife and baby of New Castle were the guests of F. Brooks and wife, Sunday.

Messrs Thurman Heathcock and Hill of Carthage spent Sunday in our city. Jerry Poindexter of Muncie and Esther Bailey of New Castle spent Sunday with Frank Brooks and wife. Miss Grace Taylor served green supper Monday evening in honor of Harry Taylor and wife. Covers were laid for 18. Sandy Brooks is able to be out again. John Elliott and wife were guests of G. Watkins and daughter of the beach Sunday. James Keemer spent Tuesday in New Castle.

## FORT WAYNE.

Mrs. Susan Jackson visited Mrs. Jones last week. Mrs. W. H. Smith has sold her hair store. The Deacons Board will meet with Mrs. Barnes, April 22.

W. A. Norcross, colored, of Chicago has sued Zimmerman and Co white, of this city for \$100 and expenses. Mr. Norcross having answered an advertisement and contracted for a position as laying carpet for Zimmerman and Co., and when Mr. Norcross arrived at the Zimmerman place of business to begin work, the proprietor refused to accept him because he was colored. The household of Ruth No. 1178 and Allen Lodge No. 3505 will give a Carnival on May 1st and 2nd. All invited to attend.

Moses Moten and wife have moved from Murray to Booth St. Jno. Moten and wife have moved from 213 Grand to 70 Murray. They entertained a few friends at dinner last week. John Hale, chef at Wayne Hotel was called by telegram to Crawfordsville, on account of the illness of his wife. Arthur Wallace who lately returned from war has gone to Indianapolis to re-enlist.

## GREENCASTLE.

Mrs. Rose Elmore has resigned her position at Ladies Hall and gone to Crawfordsville. King R. Taylor of Terre Haute was guest of W. H. Herring, Sunday.

The entertainment given by Herring and Smith was a financial success. Rev. R. F. Hurley D. D. of Indianapolis preached and lectured four nights this week at the Bethel Church. His subjects were: Monday night, "Christ the Righteous Governor of the Universe." Tuesday, "The Sinner's Somnambulism." Wednesday, "Christ's Conquest over sin." Thursday, a lecture, "Jachin and Boaz." The Doctor's talks were very interesting and was enjoyed by those who heard them.

## BENTON HARBOR, MICH.

The Sick: Master Oscar Mitchell is ill with measles and malaria fever. S. Wares continue ill. Bell Cotton is ill with measles. Elsie Gaskins has measles in his family. Mrs. Eva Davis Peel of Chicago

is visiting her parents. The New Annex Restaurant under the management of Val P. Mitchem and wife are doing a fine business.

The Saunders Club is preparing to give a grand concert in the near future. Bert Holmes and wife are now residing in Elkart.

Mrs. Etta Bragg will leave this week to join her husband. Rev. S. Bird preached an interesting sermon at A. M. E. Church, Sunday morning.

## ALEXANDRIA.

The Second Baptist held their grand rally Sunday, the meetings were conducted by Rev's. Ferrell, Patterson of Indianapolis, Rev's. Razor and Johnson of Muncie, Rev. Thomas of Anderson, Rev. Boon pastor of A. M. E. Zion Church of this city. A number of others from Indianapolis, Muncie and Anderson were over Sunday. Collection, \$126.00. David Milton visited his parents in Kokomo, Sunday.

George Chrozier and wife made a business trip to Indianapolis, last Monday. Rev. Elzy preached the funeral of A. Mitchell of Marion, Thursday. May Mitchell and Lizzie Patterson of Anderson were guests of Nellie Starks, Sunday.

The Alexandria Band Boys gave a swell banquet, Monday night.

## SEYMOUR.

Mrs. Bell Jackson of Terre Haute is the guest of Mrs. Walter Goens, Isaac Wilson of Louisville visited his mother, Mrs. Maria Visit.

Mrs. Jane Mitchell has gone to Anderson to see her daughter, Mrs. Pearl Irwin who is reported very ill. Mrs. Jones of Columbus was guest of Mrs. A. Goens a few days. Mrs. Susan Berkshire has gone to Bedford to visit her sister, Mrs. Larter. Mrs. Willa Goens is visiting relatives in Tuscola, Ill.

Wm Bentley has begun his spring trade on a very extensive plan. May flower Chapter O. E. S. last Monday night enjoyed a true feast of reason. Emma Rucker, Maria Dixon and Ethel Mitchell are on sick list. Rev. J. W. Bush is winning the golden opinion of all by his active church work. The Grant C. E. Society starts out well under the leadership of Miss Clara Furman.

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## ANDERSON.

Mr. and Mrs. Raglan were in Alexandria, last Sunday. James Blakemore and wife were guests of friends in Marion, last Sunday. Mrs. Frances Troutman and baby have returned from a visit in Louisville, Jeffersonville and Indianapolis. Lee Adams has returned from New Orleans, La.

The W. H. and F. M. Society of the Second Baptist Church netted \$97.00 at their fair last week. They met with Mrs. Webster this week.

Mr. Albert Williams and Miss Mollie Britton were married Saturday evening at the parsonage by Rev. W. Z. Thomas. Rev. W. Z. Thomas and congregation were in Alexandria Sunday, assisting Rev. Elzy in his rally at Second Baptist Church. Rev. W. C. Irvin was in Alexandria last Sunday looking after mission work.

The May Fair will begin the 6th at Allen Chapel. Mrs. Mitchell who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. W. C. Irvin, returned to Seymour, Thursday. The Children's Club, the 24th Infantry repeated their concert Tuesday evening at Allen Chapel.

## NEW ALBANY.

Quarterly meeting at Bethel A. M. E. Church was the grandest for years, 150 communed, 40 were baptised, spiritual tide was high all day. Presiding Elder Chas. Hunter preached two able sermons, he is the man to bring the Evansville District to the front. Rev. Walker preached at 3 p. m.

## WASHINGTON.

Grand rally at A. M. E. Church, May 4, Rev. Preston Eagleson of Bloomington will assist. The Missionary and Young People Christian Societies rendered excellent programmes Sunday to a large congregation. The Missionary Society is being much aroused spiritually, its president opened the roll and received over 13 members. The Sewing Circle is doing a grand work, they are preparing for

a May Fair on the 8th. Great success is expected. The Herculean Club will meet with Edward Carlisle Thursday at 2 p. m. Rev. Charner Hawkins will conduct prayer meeting Wednesday night.

Box social at the home of Mrs. Thompson, April 22. House hold of Ruth entertainment April 24th. Report of the class leaders Sunday, as follows: No. 1, \$1.05; No. 2, \$1.05; No. 3, 35cts. Total \$2.45. The birthday social at the schoolhouse near the home of Taylor Lyons for the benefit of the Baptist Church, also the Missionary entertainment Thursday night at A. M. E. Church were a success.

Prof. Anthony's Correspondent Course Class will have its commencement at the High school Auditorium June 12. William Pope and Rachel Wright continue ill.

## FRANKFORT.

Rev. J. Burden and wife were in Crawfordsville last week owing to the illness of their daughter, Mrs. John Hale. Mrs. Dora B. Kital of Indianapolis, enroute to South Bend, was guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hargrove, last week. Edward Sanders of Indianapolis was in the city on business, Friday. Mrs. Lela Dunlap of Weaver, was guest of parents Douglas Cwens and wife Sunday. Gurney Lawrence was in Kansas City this week, with the Clover Leaf pay car. Berton Cummings and wife entertained friends last Friday evening at their home on Gentry street. Sick list: David Mitchell and S. B. Williams, Mrs. Mamie Campbell has recovered from her recent illness.

Church services every Sunday; C. E. Society meets at 6:30 p. m. topic, Am I saved? John Morgan of Michigantown, was in the city on business last week.

Horace Lewis and wife of Kokomo spent Sunday with their sisters Mesdames Mary Hargrove and Elvira Williams. The F. H. S. graduation class consists of 39 pupils this year. Miss Flora May Harper, colored, will graduate, her graduation theme is "Unfinished Wreaths." There was much damage done to the Domer Block by fire Tuesday. The Crescent Printing Shop was totally destroyed.

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## MT. VERNON.

Miss Minnie Garrett and Rev. N. Thane attended the District Sunday School Convention at Boonville, this week. Charles Boyd, who was ill at Smith Mills, Ky., is now home with his daughter, Mrs. Nannie Bishop. Mrs. Celia Rector of Terre Haute was called here, due to the illness of Donnie Bailey. Ben Davis of Indianapolis is visiting his family here.

The A. M. E. Sunday School has secured the services of Prof. Edward Woods of Sikeston, Mo., to play the violin. Prof. J. H. Williams, the efficient Principal of our colored school, has been selected by the School Board of Golconda, Ill., to deliver the commencement address to a class of graduates in that city, May 5th. The ladies of the A. M. E. Church, led by Mrs. Belle Baker, surprised Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Thomas last Saturday night at the parsonage. Each presented a supply of provisions. Rev. Thomas and wife in well chosen words expressed their appreciation. Those present were: Samuel Baker and wife, Mesdames Josephine Moss, Cartman, Nellie Hardin, Susan Canada, Cora Bishop, Maria McCallister, Bary Dyer, Misses Minnie Campbell, Annie Clemens and Stella Demory.

## MODOC.

Grovell Bundy of Richmond, Mrs. Susan Wood of Knightstown, Mrs. Mariam Buckner of Battle Creek Mich., Chas. Ward of Farmland, Mrs. Arthur Allen of Muncie attended the funeral of Anderson Scott, last Thursday. Morris Oglesby of Indianapolis is visiting her father, Eleazer Scott, this week. Miss Mary Sawyer, James Sawyer and wife visited their mother, Thursday. Aerie Scott spent Sunday in Dark Co. O., with his brother Levi. C. H. Smothers and Alfred Moore are quite ill.

Entertainment at the A. M. E. Church April 25. Misses Dessie and Martha Outland and Ella Hall of Goodview attended church, last Sunday. Rev. Taylor and wife were here, Sunday, he conducted services as usual and we are glad to say that four young converts were baptised in the church. Douglas Scott was at Mitchel, Wednesday.

## CONNERSVILLE.

The W. H. and F. M. Society and the Sabbath school gave a collection for the benefit of the Baptist College at Indianapolis.

Miss Eva Finley of College Corner, C., was guest of Lizzie Allen, Sunday. Mesdames Rose Bra-shier and Maggie Hood attended the funeral of Mrs. Williams at Laurel last week. Misses Sallie Clark and Irene Castleman are on the sick list. Virgil Huey, Charley Harris and Wm. Swope are convalescent. Born to Rev. Bailey and wife, a son. Rev. S. C. Manuel is holding a ten days meeting prior to the baptizing which will take place the 20th. The funeral of a little daughter of Charley Adams occurred from the Second M. E. Church, Sunday at 2 o'clock.

## EVANSVILLE.

Mrs. Bettie Brisco was buried from McFarland Chapel Sunday afternoon. Rev. W. H. Anderson conducted the services; interment at Oak Hill. Rev. Patterson of Indianapolis was in the city four days of last week and preached at Liberty church Tuesday night and at McFarland Chapel Wednesday night. Walter Carter who has been managing a theatrical troupe, returned home last week.

The services at McFarland Chapel and at Liberty Baptist church were well attended Sunday. The Revs Anderson and Rouse preached excellent sermons. Sunday was communion day and Rev. R. D. Rouse preached to a crowded house. The Alexander Chapel, Rev. C. C. Townsend, pastor, is progressing nicely and especially the Sabbath school under the direction of Prof. Patterson as superintendent, and Prof. Blackburn, Miss Lillie Jenkins, C. McFarland and L. McFarland as teachers.

## THORNTOWN.

The church is having wonderful success. A missionary society has been organized. The ladies have purchased a new carpet which was highly appreciated by the pastor. The literary society and Sunday school are doing a good work. Preparations are being made for a rally. Miss Pearl Jones is in the guest of her cousin Mrs. Bettie Rule. Mrs. Nora Mitchell has been elected secretary of the church.

## PORTLAND.

Rev. W. H. Taylor was accompanied by his wife and daughter to Modoc last week and returned Tuesday. M. L. Smith, local preacher filled the pulpit at A. M. E. Church in the absence of Rev. W. H. Taylor. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Pate is quite ill.

Mr. Peandew of Muncie visited in our city this week. Maud Tate and Jessie Smith will be among the graduates from the High School next month. Clubs are all busy and looking forward to the 100 rally May 4th. Club No. 8, Miss Dottie Burden, captain, gave a mock wedding and mask entertainment this week which was a success in every way. Club No. 4, Mrs. Mollie Tate, captain, is preparing for an entertainment soon.

## CRAWFORDSVILLE.

Mrs. Amelia Jackson, Misses Lucy Patterson and Eva Johnson and C. C. Hunter spent last Sunday in Danville Ill. Edward Sanders of Indianapolis was in the city on business, Saturday. Nate Burden and wife have returned to their home at Terre Haute. Mrs. Jno. Hale is convalescent. H. Wyatt of Indianapolis spent Sunday with Miss Minnie Hale. Rev. Patton president of the Baptist Managing Board at Indianapolis was guest of Rev. Turner and preached an able sermon Thursday night at the Baptist Church. A debate, subject, "Resolved that day is of more service to the farmer than night," decided in favor of the affirmative, was well attended Saturday night.

## SHELBYVILLE.

Mrs. Jennie Matthews and little daughter Edna of Indianapolis, are in the city. Alford Peacock left Wednesday for St Louis, his future home. Messrs Frazier, Meadows and White spent Monday in our city. E. O. Montgomery spent Sunday in Indianapolis.

Messrs Johnson and Matthews of Edinburg were in the city Sunday. Miss Susie Miles and niece Maggie, attended the funeral of their sister and aunt, Eliza Williams, at Rushville Friday. Chas. Robinson and Hardy Watts of Martinsville were in the city, Sunday.

Messrs Blakeman of Columbus, James and Alice Hill, Mesdames Phillips and Bird of Edinburg were guests of Mrs. Branch Martin last Tuesday and Wednesday.

William Hines left Thursday for Cincinnati. Mrs. Sterks of Indianapolis was guest of Mrs. Owens Wednesday. Baptizing from the Second Baptist Church Sunday morning, communion after Sunday School, song service at 7:30. All invited to attend these services.

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This young lady says: "The one loved refused to call or write me: I called on this lady and we are now engaged." You can't afford to miss consulting this gifted lady; she is gifted to read characters. She challenges the world to excel her advice on love, losses, business, family and financial troubles. Re-unites the separated, causes speed marriage with the one of your choice. No cards allowed in her place of business; no one's ill wishes filled strictly a Christian lady and depends entirely on her heavenly gift. If you are painful or ailing, think you have been witchcrafting to go see her. She spent eight years in the Jungles of Africa and has traveled through 34 States doing good wherever she went. Read St. John, 9th chap, 33d ver: "If this man is not of God he could do nothing Three parlor so arranged that you meet no friend or stranger; everything confidential, owing to such you may call night or day. Permanently located."

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## SOUTH BEND.

Mrs. Kitron of Indianapolis has returned to our city to make her future home. Charlie Sanders of Chicago is in the city for an indefinite stay. The sick: J. S. Mitchell continue ill. Mrs. Abraham Brown, Little Johnny Howard and Leroy Manuel are reported ill.

Mrs. Sarelda Boone is at the bedside of her husband, Melvin Boone, at Chicago. The Odd Fellows will give an old folks concert at the Harrison Club rooms soon.

Charles Shelton and Henry Watson are talking of organizing a Tuskegee Club soon. Rev. F. P. Green preached an interesting sermon Sunday night at Mt. Zion Baptist Church.

## RICHMOND.

Mrs. Julie Holloway of Dayton, O. spent Sunday with her daughter Mrs. W. H. Freeman. Sunday was a high day in Zion with the 9th street Baptist church. Eighteen persons were baptized at 11:30. Hundreds of people witnessed the services. At 3:30 Rev. B. Jones preached to a large audience, after which Prof. Curry presided at the organ and sang Jesus is All in All. Three ladies came under the watch care of the church and communion was administered to a large number. Evening services were largely attended and Rev. Jones did well \$118 was raised within three Sabbath. Rev. H. C. Randolph, the pastor has done much good in this church. Lefe Sharp and Thomas Taylor of Eaton are in the city.

The fourth Calander entertainment was given last Friday night, at Ninth street Baptist church by Mrs. W. A. Coggins. Thirty-five dollars was cleared. Prof. E. W. Danville Ill. Edward Sanders of Indianapolis was in the city on business, Saturday. Nate Burden and wife have returned to their home at Terre Haute. Mrs. Jno. Hale is convalescent. H. Wyatt of Indianapolis spent Sunday with Miss Minnie Hale. Rev. Patton president of the Baptist Managing Board at Indianapolis was guest of Rev. Turner and preached an able sermon Thursday night at the Baptist Church. A debate, subject, "Resolved that day is of more service to the farmer than night," decided in favor of the affirmative, was well attended Saturday night.

Mrs. Eva Robbins is preparing to visit her sister at Noblesville. Ruth Chapel M. E. is in a prosperous condition. Miss Jessie Brown and Mrs. Lena Buster of Dayton, sung at the Herculean Society Musical last Tuesday eve.

Mrs. J. M. Townsend and her daughter have returned to the city for permanent residence. Mrs. Turnbull of Georgetown Ky., is visiting in the city. Mrs. Robinson of Cedarville, O. is visiting her son, William and his family.

Robert Kelley and bride of Indianapolis were the guests of Mrs. Mattie Lewis last week. Mrs. Holden of Cincinnati is making her home with her niece, Mrs. James Foster. Rev. Allen Baker of Eaton, O. local minister of French Chapel, A. M. E., died Apr. 1, after a brief illness. James Baker, W. B. Smith and wife returned from Eaton, where they attended the funeral of a relative. The K. P. Thanksgiving services were well attended and Rev. Baker delivered a fine sermon. Mrs. Alfretha Keller spent Sunday at Eaton, O. and Rev. G. D. Williams at Oxford.

Hod Carriers Union No. 1 was organized Apr. 3, with the following officers: William Webster, pres, James Wadkins, sec'y; James Bailey, treas.

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## VINCENNES.

"Badger" Silence of Terre Haute was in the city Sunday. David Allen is very ill. Miss Cora Emery is ill. Douglas Russell and sister were guests of Mrs. Clinton, Sunday. Miss Anna Silence has returned from a visit in Terre Haute. John Brewer has returned from Clinton Ill. Subject of debate at Literary Society Tuesday night: resolved, "Mother wit is of more benefit than education." Both sides brought out strong points. Geo. Brewer jr., preached at the Baptist Church, last Sunday evening.

## FRANKLIN.

The many friends of Rev. C. C. Townsend of Evansville, were pleased to have him in their midst and to listen to an interesting sermon by him Tuesday at A. M. E. Church. Andy Henderson was in Indianapolis, Sunday. Miss Opal Lewis was in Whiteland last week on business. The young people the Second Baptist Church have organized a B. Y. P. U. Society which will meet every Sunday at 6:30 p. m. A very interesting programme will be rendered Sunday. Charles Fossett and wife of Indianapolis were the guests of their parents, J. Fossett and wife, Sunday. Prof. Biggs of Columbus was guest of Prof. J. D. Walton, last Friday. Rev. J. Thompson of Canada has been called to take charge of the Second Baptist Church. Mrs. Laura Clark of Indianapolis was called Sunday by the illness of her brother, George Wilson and mother, Mrs. Martha Wilson. Miss Parthenia Ferguson is able to be out again. Miss Ella Anderson of Columbus was guest of Hattie Fossett, last week.

Augustus Carter of Indianapolis was in the city; last Thursday.

Mrs. Frances Davis is suffering with rheumatism. George Wilson continue ill. Mesdames Martha Wilson, B. J. Coleman, Louisa Shelton and Sarah Beatty are convalescing. Miss Fossett entertained at dinner Sunday, Miss Carrie Coleman, Mrs. Avery of Rockville and Charles Fossett and wife of Indianapolis. Oren Lewis was in Indianapolis, last Friday.

Miss Fossett has moved her hair-dressing parlor to the Ott Block on Water street. Gus Beatty and wife, Arthur Logan and Scott Jackson were in Indianapolis, Sunday. Mesdames Franklin and Johnson of Indianapolis were pleasant visitors at the Second Baptist, Sunday.

## TERRE HAUTE.

Mrs. J. Best entertained the Sewing Circle last Thursday afternoon at Mrs. Robert Cruiddips, 609 S. Fourth street. Luncheon was served Hot rolls, spiced ham, fruit, salad, ice-cream, cake and coffee. Allen Chapel will give a May Fair beginning May 5. A programme will be rendered each evening by members of different clubs. The church is under repairs. The corner stone laying the 4th Sunday in May.

## FOWLER.

Miss Cora Brown has returned from Tennessee. John McDonald of Lafayette was here, Sunday. James Wilson was in Lafayette, Sunday. Carter Beacham has returned from Ohio, where he went to purchase a farm. Abram Wilson is in Fowler. George Brooks of Goodland spent Sunday with friends. The Union Club met in the home of Wm. Penic's, Saturday evening.

## IRVINGTON.

Rev. M. Williams of Cincinnati, filled the pulpit at First Baptist Church Sunday morning and evening. Mrs. Ellen Rogers was pleasantly surprised Thursday evening, it being her birthday, she received many useful presents.

The W. H. and F. M. met with Mrs. Hattie Baker in Greenfield avenue, April 17. The society gave an entertainment for its benefit at K. P. Hall Thursday evening, a neat sum was realized. Mrs. Alfred Hauley is able to be out again.

The Sunday School of First Baptist Church is in a progressive condition under the leadership of Mrs. Lena Stewart, superintendent.

Mrs. Watkins spent last Saturday with her daughter, Mrs. B. Highbaugh. The Thanksgiving sermon of the Fred Douglas Lodge, No. 7, was well attended Sunday. Rev. A. J. Stewart of Decatur Ill., delivered the annual sermon, Geo. P. Stewart Master of ceremonies. Among those participated were, James N. Shelton, Dr. E. Atkins of Anderson, Grand Lecturer and Guryle Brewer made addresses; Solo by Bert Highbaugh. Collection, \$7.59.

## RUSHVILLE.

The Second Baptist Church closed a very interesting revival with six additions. The church was thoroughly aroused by the effective sermon of Rev. Wilson of the Tabernacle Baptist Church who assisted Rev. J. W. Quinn, A. W. H. F. M. Society was organized in the Second Baptist Church.

## CHARLESTOWN.

The third Quarterly meeting of the A. M. E. Church was held April 18th. The pastor Rev. R. Z. Roberts was assisted by Rev. J. L. Cravens of Jeffersonville, who preached an able and instructive sermon at 3 o'clock p. m. The meeting was a spiritual success. 39 persons communed.

Miss Lula Smith of Jeffersonville, visited her parents, last week. John Smith of Louisville spent Sunday with his family.

Mrs. Ford, Cora Caldwell, Evaline Wilson, Mattie Johnson and Mattie Morgan are on the sick list.

Mrs. R. Z. Roberts has returned from a trip to her home.

Mrs. Ora Wayne has joined her husband in Bedford, where they will make their future home.

Rev. Charles Hunter P. E. will lecture at the A. M. E. Church Wednesday 7:30 p. m. and will hold the Quarterly Conference Thursday, 7:30 p. m. Sunday services were well attended.



